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#### FROM THE CHIEF

Greetings from the United States European Command (USEUCOM) Humanitarian Assistance (HA) Team! During the past 18 months that I have served in the HA Branch our charter has been to provide our U.S. Embassies and Components with all the requisite tools to support their objectives. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide a quarterly forum to address new changes and updates within USEUCOM and Department of Defense (DOD) Humanitarian Assistance Programs.

Since the reorganization of the USEUCOM HA Branch under the J4, the European Command's program has grown significantly and is now the largest in DOD. The growth of the programs has benefited U.S. national interests, the USEUCOM Commander-in-Chief (CINC) objectives, and the nations and their civilian populations within our Area of Responsibility. On behalf of the HA Team, we look forward to working with the "greater" HA team in our efforts to help those in need. Semper Fidelis!

COL Juan G. Ayala, USMC

#### THE HA TEAM



As in most cases success is always dependent on good people working together as team. We are especially proud of our HA Team in USEUCOM. This summer we received two valuable new additions to the team. Major Mario Garcia arrived in July to replace Mr. David Zimmerman as the Humanitarian and Civic Assistance (HCA) Program Manager. In September, Ms. Paula Battistoni joined us to serve as the Humanitarian Assistance-Other (HA-O) Program Manager. Both of these individuals bring a wealth of important experience ranging from the operational to Joint Staff and Interagency. If you have any questions or would like to discuss HA project nominations you can contact any one of us at the numbers below:

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#### FY 03 Data Call

Recently the USEUCOM HA Branch transmitted a Data Call message requesting the submission of FY 03 HA project nominations. Nominations for FY03 HA-O and HAP-EP projects should be submitted through the Humanitarian Assistance Program-Internet (HAP-I) web site. Due to the long staffing and review process associated with DOD HA Programs all project nominations should be submitted NLT 15 December 2001. The data call message provides specific instructions on procedures for LOGIN and submission.

We understand that many of you may be unfamiliar with the HAP-I web site. However, once given access to the HAP-I web site you will find it a simple interactive web application for project submission and real time status on your nominations. If you have any questions on accessing or submitting project nominations contact Mary or Paula.

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Humanitarian Assistance and Demining Programs  
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password and click Change Password.  
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#### HAP-I Web Site

The HAP-I System is a flexible, internet-based system that allows users to submit their annual HA plans to HQ EUCOM at any time during the year for any future Fiscal Years. In addition, out-of-cycle nominations can also be entered at any time to reflect ambassadors' changing requirements and priorities.

The new HAP-I system is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, so projects may be nominated at any time! For the annual project submissions, the 15 December cut-off date has been established for country teams to enter their FY03 HA project submissions; however, users can input future year projects at any time. In fact the website goes all the way through FY08!

This Program will allow country teams adequate time to plan, document and submit their HA project nominations. The HAP-I system eliminates short-fused requests for project submissions. In addition, the HAP-I System facilitates the documentation of fiscal data for all three HA Programs and provides web links to other DOD Programs and informational documentation such as Title 10 of the U.S. Code which governs the HA Program.

HA Program Managers/Coordinators in each country have been authorized "CINC User" access to the HAP-I system and

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have been provided with User I.D.s. If you do not know your User I.D., contact the EUCOM HA Branch.

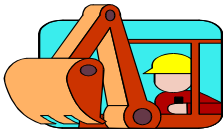
All other visitors to this website can have **"READ ONLY"** access to the HAP-I system. If you would like this type of access, you will have to apply for a User I.D. once you arrive at the HAP-I Website logon page at <http://hapep.idss.ida.org>.

### **HA Nomination Submission Tips**

Many of our Country Teams have asked for specific recommendations with respect to HA Project Nomination verbiage. While there is no rigid formula or mathematical equation used in achieving an approval from DOD on a HA project nomination, satisfaction of some or all of the following criteria is the strongest basis and surest means of maximizing the prospects for approval:

- 1) Improving DOD (and, to a lesser extent, broader U.S.) access/influence with military and civilian host nation counterparts.
- 2) Building/reinforcing security and stability in a host nation or region.
- 3) Bolstering indigenous capacity to respond to natural or manmade disasters, thereby supporting the first two criteria and reducing the likelihood that DOD will have to respond to a major foreign disaster with a significant expenditure of resources.
- 4) Generating positive public relations and good will for DOD that could enhance our ability to shape the local security environment.
- 5) Providing training in military operational skills to U.S. forces when they participate in a humanitarian assistance effort.

Addressing the key points stated above, coupled with a detailed explanation of the project should ensure a successful and timely approval of the HA nomination project.



### **The USEUCOM HA Program**

In FY97, USEUCOM consolidated three formerly disconnected Title 10 programs under J4 for the purposes of synchronizing activities and supporting Ambassadors' objectives: [10 USC 401](#), Humanitarian and Civic Assistance (HCA) provided in conjunction with military operations; [10 USC 402](#), Transportation of humanitarian relief supplies to foreign countries and [10 USC 2557](#), Excess non-lethal supplies humanitarian relief; and [10 USC 2561](#), Humanitarian Assistance-Other, or "stand alone" humanitarian assistance. The Theater Engagement Information Planning System (TEPMIS) now integrates Humanitarian Assistance activities along with other engagement activities of the CINC's Strategy of Engagement and Conflict Prevention. USEUCOM Humanitarian Assistance Program Managers help over 55 Country Teams integrate complimentary activities into their Country Plans. USEUCOM received \$10.6M in FY 01 Overseas Humanitarian Disaster and Civic Assistance (OHDACA), to support 47 HA-

Other projects and 70 HAP-Excess Property projects, and Program Management. The driving goal for both HA-Other and Excess Property activities is to benefit foreign civilians. USEUCOM also received approximately \$1.8M in FY01 Operations and Maintenance (O&M) funds to support 20 HCA projects and Program Management. The driving goal for HCA activities is to train U.S. Military Forces.

### **Humanitarian and Civic Assistance (HCA) Program**

Section 401 of Title 10 authorizes USEUCOM components to conduct humanitarian projects while on operational deployments/contingency operations or training exercises such as MEDFLAG, Medical Exercise in Central/Eastern Europe (MEDCEUR), Cornerstone, Flintlock, West Africa Training Cruise (WATC) and Joint/Combined Exchange Training (JCET). HCA funds pay for the consumable supplies and services required in conducting assistance activities such as:

- Construction materials for the renovation of schools and orphanages in Albania during Cornerstone 01.
- Medical, dental, and pediatric supplies for medical care provided to rural populations of Tunisia, Mozambique and Latvia during FY 01 MEDFLAG and MEDCEUR exercises
- Medical supplies for Outreaches in Kosovo in conjunction with U.S. Forces deployment.
- The Department of the Army funds CINCEUR for these projects. In FY 01, USEUCOM received \$1.6M against \$2M-plus in requirements submitted by EUCOM component commands.
- HCA funding totals \$1.6M for FY 01 and is projected to remain at \$1.6M for FY02 through FY06.

### **Humanitarian Assistance - Other (HA-O) Programs**

Section 2561 of Title 10 provides authority for OHDACA funding of contract costs and deployments of U.S. Military teams to carry out humanitarian "stand alone" projects, such as:

- Rudimentary construction or refurbishment of schools, clinics and wells.
- Medical, dental, and veterinary projects.
- Disaster Assessment/Disaster Response Training Projects

In FY 01, USEUCOM received \$8.6M to assist 57 countries.

### **Humanitarian Assistance Program-Excess Property (HAP-EP)**

Section 2557, Title 10, authorizes DOD to donate non-lethal excess property to non-governmental organizations in foreign countries as requested by DoS through American Embassies. Title 10, Section 2561, authorizes transportation of donated property. Donated property includes items such as:

- Medical, school and office equipment/supplies.
- Renovation supplies, tools, vehicles, and tents.
- Household furniture and appliances.

USEUCOM locates, packages, and ships to over 55 recipient countries. After accepting custody transfer of the excess property, American Embassies donate the equipment to non-profit/civilian organizations such as orphanages, schools, clinics, and disaster response facilities. OSD funded USEUCOM \$2M for these projects in FY 01 which was used to send over 70

shipments to organizations throughout the USEUCOM Area of Responsibility.

### **We Want to Hear from You!**

As with any DOD program, we enjoy hearing from our team's down-range who is on the ground, working the program. It's part of our job to advertise our program. Therefore, we request that with every humanitarian assistance project that you e-mail the results and send us the pictures of the project in progress, the final product, and/or the dedication ceremony. Photos are a tangible way for us to explain over-arching program goals, describe the HA program types, and show the Chain of Command what their HA dollar investments are buying!

If you do not have digital cameras in order to forward electronic photos via e-mail, request pictures to be mailed to:

HQ USEUCOM, Unit 30400 Box 1000, ATTN: ECJ4-ID/HA,  
APO AE 09128.

We're standing by to assist and we look forward to hearing from you!

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